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Sir:

Applicant wishes to draw attention to the documents listed on the accompanying Form PTO-1449, copies of which documents are enclosed.

The documents were cited in the counterpart PCT patent application, and a copy of the International Search Report (Form PCT/ISA/210 (second sheet)) is enclosed.

Pursuant to MPEP 609 A(3), it is believed that the indication of relevance of the non-English documents given in the International Search Report satisfies the requirement in 37 CFR 1.98(a)(3) for a concise explanation of relevance with respect to these non-English documents.

Pursuant to MPEP 609, it is requested that the Examiner should initial Form PTO-1449 to confirm that each document has been considered, and return a copy of the form to the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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